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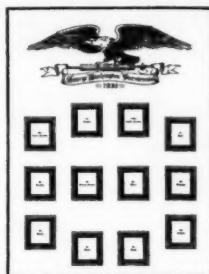
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## The 6c of 1851

By CAPTAIN A. C. TOWNSEND

**T**HE Old Timer was in fine fettle. Several times the boys gathered around his fireside for their regular visit had made attempts to match wits with him and had come off second best. He smiled at them as he passed around a box of Porto Rican cigars.

"Bet you fellows can't tell them from Havanas. They pretty nearly are, but not quite. That's a funny thing, too. Same ocean, same climate, same soil, yet they can't quite grow tobacco that equals the Cuban leaf from Pinar del Rio."

"How do you happen to know all that?" asked Charles Myers, always eager for inside information.

"Me? I learned it down there. That's where I got my bisected 12c 1851. Didn't I ever tell you about that?"

"You know darn well you never did," chorused the gang. "We've been trying to get that story for years. AT LAST! Settle down, everybody; he's going to disgorge it."

"Well, I really got the cover in New York, but the owner was in Porto Rico and . . ."

"Gosh, what an arm reach!" cried one of the boys. "Say, be easy on a fellow who is not a crossword puzzle fan and try to tell it in plain English, will you?"

"Oh, well," smiled the Old Timer. "I keep forgetting I'm dealing with dumb animals. I'll try to tell it so you can all get it without straining those things you seem to use mostly to keep your hats from flattening your ears."

I was down in Porto Rico (he continued) a few years after the war, and having learned to ride hosses in Texas I got me one and did a lot of drifting around on the nice roads the government was fixing up. Mighty pretty country. Hills they call mountains, with curly roads running around and over 'em, and some lovely scenery.

I was taking the trip across the island from Ponce to San Juan, and having a great time of it. Road curled around like a snake as I went up into the hills and it got pretty hot. Along near noon I come around a bend and there, set on the uphill side of the road, was a mighty neat whitewashed native house with a nice covered porch and a grand view. It certainly looked good, and kinder homey.

There were a couple of rockers on that porch in the shade, and it struck me I'd like to get a drink and sit in one for a few minutes, so I tied my horse off the road and walked up to the door and knocked. A mighty

good looking young woman came to the door, not at all the country type I had expected, and it kinder threw me off, but in the best Spanish I could muster I asked if she would be kind enough to give me some water.

She smiled at me and knocked me still further off balance by replying, "You are American, no? Weel you not sit down and rest from the sun and take a glass of cool meelk?"

I spluttered my thanks and sat down, and she went in and came back with a glass of milk. I had some manners in those days, so I got up and made her sit down first, and then as I drank the milk I sized her up. She was the native type with dark eyes and hair, very plainly dressed, but there was something high class about her, so I finally asked her how it was that she spoke English.

"My hoosban" is American. He come here weeth the army and stay, and we meet and make marriage. He weel like to see you and talk, for he does not meet many from hees own country. Soon he weel come to eat. You do us the favor to take loonch weeth us. My poquito we can offer, but if you weel honor us we weel be please."

I accepted instantan. She was quality, and I wondered about him and wanted to see him. Also I know what it is to be hungry to talk your own tongue freely, and was willing to give him a treat, so we sat and chatted. I asked about children and from indoors, where they had kept quiet, she produced two fine kids and we all got to feeling comfortable as I made them laugh with my Spanish.

After a bit we heard a noise from the rear and the lady hopped to her feet at once, with her face lighting up. "Comes Carlos—my hoosban' Charlie. I tell him you are our guest, and you please excuse while he wash?"

A few minutes later she came back with a bully good looking American, brown and muscular and cheaply dressed, but again there was class. I introduced myself and I guess we took to each other at once. He made me mighty welcome and we settled right down for a talk, while his wife again excused herself and went in with the children to get the meal on.

I don't know why it is, but some people you hate on sight and others you take to like a long lost brother. One time I shared my bed with a total stranger who reported to me in a city that was new to him, and we have been close friends for over 30 years as the result.

This fellow and I knew each other pretty well before the meal was over, and afterwards we sat on the



porch and smoked and talked and looked at the view until I said he must get to his work and I must be on my way. They both protested. He wanted to know if I had any engagement, and finding I had not begged me to stay and spend the night with them. "You don't know what a treat this is," he said. "Can't offer you much, but at least it is clean, and tonight we can sit out doors and see the moon rise and have a good chin-chin. I don't get much news from the States." He said this so sort of wistfully that I took him up.

I went out back with him and he showed me his little coffee and tobacco plantation. Not very large, but seemed to be in good shape, and he had three fellows (natives) at work with him, and working in a way that showed they liked him. After a while I couldn't stand it any longer, so I came right out with "Say! None of my business, but how do you happen to be here in this way? You are way above this sort of thing. Don't answer if you don't want to."

He looked me in the eye and smiled. "Perfectly O. K., but it's a long story. Tell you tonight while we smoke." So I went on back and dozed and played with the kids and chatted with his wife in her spare time, and so at last we came to cigars and the front porch and the moon.

"You're from New York," he said suddenly. "Know the name Charles Blank?" "I'll say I do," I answered. "Pretty prominent there. Any kin to you?"

"Used to be my Dad," he replied, and his wife drew her chair nearer and slipped her hand in his. "Happen to know how he is? I haven't heard from him in years and I don't take a States paper."

I started to answer and then stopped. There had flashed into my mind something I had seen just before leaving for the island about Mr. Blank being down with pneumonia. "I saw something about him in the papers just a few days ago," I said. "What caused such a break between you?"

"It was me!" cried his wife. "Carlos weesh to make marriage weeth me and hees father say no and Carlos say yes, and they talk on cable and get very angry and . . ." She buried her face on her husband's shoulder and he comforted her in soft Spanish that sounded mighty pretty to me.

Then he went into his story, the Old Timer continued. He had left his place in his father's business and joined the army to set Cuba free, to his father's great disgust. Instead of going to Cuba as he had hoped he was one of the bunch that was sent to Porto Rico on what was called "Miles' full dress picnic," had met his future wife, Luisa, and had stayed on after his discharge to court her.

It seems she was pure Spanish, daughter of a former official there who had died before the war, and when Charles wrote home that he wanted to marry one of the race that he had enlisted to fight against, there was the dickens to pay. His dad had the reputation of being pretty hard boiled, and he sure lived up to it. First by letter and then by cable they exchanged views, each getting more determined, and at last a complete break resulted. Here Charlie's wife chipped into the story again.

"It was all about me," she cried. "He say I am—How you say?—low Spanish and no good, and if Carlos marry weeth me he no longer hees son. I am of the *hidalguia*, how you call arist . . . I cannot say in English, but *aristocracia*, and I have papers to prove so."

Charlie quieted her again. "That's right, she really is way above me. Anyway, I choose her, got a position in a bank in San Juan and we started out on what money I had, and I'll say it has been pretty tough on her. Dad not only did not give me a cent, but he hounded me out of that position and a couple more. He is pretty big, you know, and when he says jump most people jump or regret it. So finally I took this place. Mighty few people know where I am, and it is mine and paid for, so he can't put the screws on me here. If things keep going well I can sell out in a few years and have enough to go back to the States in some place where I am not known and he can't get after me, and start working my way up again."

He patted his wife's hand and sighed, and then added, "Dad and I were never too chummy, so what hits me hardest is the fact that the beginning of his fortune really came from my uncle, and I know he expected me to share in it. I know that from his old letters to Dad that I have."

"Old letters! That hit me right between the eyes, but I kept my trap shut right then, for there was something else of more importance to think of. I wanted to get to San Juan and the latest States papers and see about his dad. So we talked on until pretty late about all sorts of things, and the next morning I saddled up and pulled out, telling them I would be back to see them in a couple of days."

"I had to wait a day for a ship to come in, and then I found news aplenty. Old Blank was dead, and his entire fortune was willed to everything but his son. Not a cent to him! Not even a mention of him in the will. And right there was the break the vindictive old cuss made. I had a talk with a good lawyer, and then I went galoppy-galoppy back to Charles and Luisa."

"Look here," I said after a bit, "there are an awful lot of funny things that happen in this world. Some of them make you pretty sure that 'there is a Providence that shapes our ends, rough hew them as we may,' as the poet says. You said you folks had some old letters and I am a stamp collector. Tell me about them, if you don't mind."

"Sure," said Charlie. "We both have some and they are about our only proof of respectability just now, so we have hung onto them. Luisa's are family letters written to and from Spain and other places where her folks held posts of importance in the Spanish possessions, and which her father collected and treasured. Mine were written by my uncle from California, where he went in the gold rush."

"He and Dad were in business in New York and not getting on very fast, so uncle Rob cut loose and joined the rush. A couple of the letters were written on board boat and mailed as he went around South America. Out there he did well and began to send Dad money to put in the business, and he sent more and more as Dad branched out and got to doing things in a big way."

"After Dad married and I came along uncle Rob said in several letters that of course the business would come to me some day so he was glad that, not having married himself, he could help his nephew get a good start, and so on. And at last he sent home all the letters Dad had written him in California, asked him to put them with what letters he may have saved, and give them to me when I got big enough. Well, Dad was of the saving kind, too, so he had all uncle Rob's letters in a file box at home, and when uncle Rob died out there Dad gave them all to me. I had them in a little bachelor den I had outside the home, and when the break came I had them packed and shipped down here with some other things."

I swallowed a couple of times. Might not be a stamp in the whole business, so I went slow. "Got them where I could look at 'em?" I said. "Might be some stamps on some of 'em that I would like to buy."

"Got both lots down cellar in a trunk," said Charlie. "There are some funny looking stamps, I remember, and you are welcome to any you want. Come help me and we'll bring the trunk up here where it is light."

The Old Timer looked at the circle of eager faces and grinned. "Now don't expect me to give you an inventory, but there were stamps and STAMPS in that trunk. A few of the earliest ones from California were unpaid and pretty light, and one of the first with a stamp on was thin enough to take the 6c rate and it had a bisected 12c of 1851—the one I'm talking about—and there were a lot more with good U. S. Also a bunch of Spanish material that would nearly send a plate constructor into convulsions these days."

"I looked the stuff over very carefully and sized it up, and then I told Charlie I had some news for him, and I gave him the paper with the news about his dad. It hit him hard, mostly on account of his wife. He put his arm around her and told her in soft Spanish that



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there was nothing to do but fight their own battle, for his dad had not left him a cent, and Luisa took it like one of the old fighters she sprung from. Then I cut in again. Told him the lawyer in San Juan said he had a bully good chance to break that will. "It might be done," he said, doubtfully, "but I have no money to fight with."

"Oh, yes, you have," said I. "Where?" says he. "Right under your nose in this trunk," I grinned. "I think I can get you a good five thousand dollars for those old stamps."

"Well, sir, they were paralyzed when they found I meant it. They sat down and handled the old letters as if they expected them to explode and disappear. We went over them and picked out the ones in which his uncle said why he was sending so much money home, and then we bundled up the rest in a separate lot and I sailed for New York with them all.

"Saw my own Dad first and wanted him to buy the lot for me, but he couldn't spare the cash, so we had

a good talk with his lawyer and then I sold the stamps to Scott for a whacking good price, cabled passage money to Charlie and his family and they came up and the fight was on.

"He won, hands down. Has such a big place now in New York that I almost get lost when I get on there and see them. When he first got there he asked all about the sale of those stamps and who to, and I wondered for a moment if he thought I had gypped him, but I knew he wasn't that kind, and found out a bit later why he had asked.

"After the fight was won and he had his money they had me out to dinner. He and Luisa said some right nice things you fellows wouldn't appreciate, and then he handed me an envelope, and in it was that 6c cover. He had gone up to Scott and made him promise to hold it so he could buy it, if he won his fight. Said he had seen it was the one I most prized, from the way I kept looking at it again, and would I accept it just to show their thanks and friendship, and so on."

### RADIO STAMP TALKS APRIL 30

"Philatelic Literature" will be the subject of Chapter 7 in Colonel Kimble's series of broadcasts on "The Elements of Stamp Collecting." This will be given from Station WMAQ, the Chicago Daily News, next Saturday, April 30th, at 9:30 P. M., Central Standard Time. A printed prospectus and program of this course in philatelic education is available to anyone desiring it. Address Lt. Col. Ralph A. Kimble, 8118 Dante Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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The Educational value of philately is often mentioned and also accepted by most people. But too often this idea remains in the abstract; too few illustrations are used to force the truth home. A person will concede that map-stamps teach geography, that adhesives picturing art subjects bring some of the world's masterpieces to the attention of the collector, or that commemoratives are helpful in teaching history. But farther than

this most people, even collectors, do not go. They consider the great mass of postal stamps of little educational value. While the truth of the matter is that the real collector finds the most interest in discovering the hidden historical facts in just these regular issues. A treaty is made, a plebiscite is held, a new territory is annexed—many times there is a philatelic record in the ordinary issues of the countries.

The following is an interesting example: On the eastern shore of the Adriatic is a small country known as Albania; just across the Adriatic Sea lies Italy, and it is generally acknowledged that Albania's continued national existence through all the disturbances of the Balkan and World Wars is a result of Italian interest and protection. After the unrest of these wars had settled, the country found itself a republic under the rule of President Zogu. In 1928 through the influence of Mussolini, the Premier of Italy, President Zogu was proclaimed the king of a new monarchy. Now, the collector will immediately recall these incidents whenever he notices the resemblance between the Italian regular issue of 1929 with that of Albania for 1930. The similarity in color, design and subject between Italy No. 222 and Albania No. 253 is most striking.

Another advantage gained by stamp collecting is the ability to place the value of foreign currency with fair accuracy. In the United States we speak of a "shilling" as worth twelve and a half cents; with us the term "penny" is synonymous with "cent." When we come to British stamps we find that the one penny stamp is printed in red, and quite naturally and correctly we conclude that a penny stamp is sufficient postage for a letter. And so we discover that a "penny" is worth two cents and that a "shilling" is worth twenty-five cents.

Still another example may be found in the stamps of France, Belgium, Italy and some other countries. We see the value given in terms of "cent." But the fact that these stamps are printed as high as 75 and 90 cent, starts us investigating, and we learn that the "centime" is by far lower than our American cent.

Many other concrete examples might be cited to show the varied educational possibilities of our hobby. Too often, however, collectors seem to think that things educational ought to stay in the classroom. Such is not the case; the real collector studies his collection.

The Water Sports section of the Olympic Games is to take place at Long Beach, Calif. Doubtless the Long Beach Stamp Collectors Club will sponsor a cachet for this event and collectors of Olympics covers will want Olympic Stamps used on covers on the opening date of the Water Sports events at Long Beach.

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**UNITED STATES**—If the proposed raise in postal rates is put into effect, there is a possibility that the Olympic set will consist of a 3c and 5c stamp in place of the 2c and 5c. Also 3c envelopes will no doubt be issued. All this of course, remains to be seen.

**BOLIVIA**—The proposed new set of Air Mail stamps announced here in the March 5th issue, were printed, but according to the latest advices, were not issued and ordered destroyed. The Government has ordered a new issue and these are being lithographed in La Paz and are likely to be placed on sale in about a month.

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**CANADA**—On the 4th, 5th and 6th stamps, of the 6th row, of the provisional 6c on 5c Air Mail, the numerals are barred out by one narrow and one thick bar, in place of the three bars of even width. Pairs may be had showing both varieties.

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**CONGO**—Copies of the new pictorial issue heralded Mar. 26th are at hand. The animal

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- 2fr. ultramarine (native village)
- 3.25fr. olive green (Okapi)
- 4fr. gray violet (river scene)

(Rene Boon)

**CZECHOSLOVAKIA**—In addition to the four values of the Sokol stamps noted last week, M. Kunert, of New York City, reports having received a 4kr., 5kr., and 10kr., with the portrait of Miraslov Tyrs, in the same set. Details as to colors are lacking.

**PAPAU**—We have been officially informed that the current 2s6p. stamps have now appeared in the John Ash printing, also that they have been surcharged "NINE PENCE", so that the 9p. on the 2s6p. Harrison printing should be quite good, more especially the block showing the imprint. The new printing has also been overprinted "O.S." for official use.

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**RHODES**—Previous to the Eucharistical Congress held in this Italian island, the 21st Hydrological Congress was held and in connection with same the current issue pictorial stamps were overprinted "XXL Congresso Idrologico" in three lines. The set consisted of nine varieties—5c. to 10 lire and the issue was very limited.

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In accordance with last week's promise you will find below some very interesting Precancel news written by one of the leading Precancel collectors in the United States. Collectors having any information on the subjects treated should write directly to Mr. Gamber, whose address appears just below.—Editor of this Column.

By A. F. Gamber, Valley City, N. Dak.

Something which always interests precancel collectors is the case of cities which use some type or types for a very limited time. A recent case in point is New Britain, Conn. Not so many weeks ago we noted that that office had retired its U-3 in favor of one of the new double line types, now so popular (U-15 in this case). Hardly had precancels in this type begun to come through when we noted still another type from that city, between double lines, but in three lines of large plain caps.

Inquiry revealed the interesting fact that the New Britain postmaster had junked the U-15 type because he thought the printing too small and indistinct. So far it has not been definitely ascertained if the new and larger type is a locally typeset affair or not, but it has all the earmarks of being one. Since the U-15 type was in use there for such a limited time, considerable curiosity has arisen among collectors as to how many and what values were precancelled with it. To my knowledge the following values have been seen to date (last of March): perf. 11, 12c; 15c, 20c up,

down; 30c up; 50c down, \$1 down; compound, 1c inverted, 3-6 7c, 7c double 8-9-10-12c. The 6c is the only one which appears to be at all common. If any LINN'S readers can give information as to any other values, I shall be very glad to have it.

These ephemeral types, as one might call them, add a great deal of interest and zest to precancel collecting. Five years hence, possibly sooner, collectors will be doubting the existence of anything from New Britain in a U-15 type; only we older collectors who were fortunate enough to be on the ground at the time, will be able to prove that such a type really was used. Other items from that city that will never be common are the 4c Taft and the new 5c due, flat plate, in the old U-3 type, because neither came out until after the U-3 plate had been retired.

Another very interesting subject in precancel collecting is that of plates repaired by the insertion of pieces of another kind of type. These are few and far between, but when one does appear, collectors are anxious to acquire a specimen or two for the collection. Grand Rapids is the latest city to come under this head. Not so long ago (but longer than in the case of New Britain) that office retired its U-3 plate, which had done valiant service for many years, in favor of a double line U-15 type. All went well until recently when, in some manner unknown, the whole bottom row of ten subjects on this new plate were smashed. A new plate was at once ordered, but in order to have something on hand for use in the meantime, the smashed bottom row was cut off and enough single subjects were cut out of the old U-3 plate (which had been wrecked with a heavy hammer to render it useless) to patch up that bottom row. I am sure this combination gives us the most strikingly different kinds of type on the same plate that now exists. Dallas, Fremont, Nebr., Waterloo and Des Moines have all resorted to this patching business, to mention only those offices coming immediately to mind; but in none of those cases were the resulting types so strikingly different. Even the enemy of all precancels would have to admit that vertical pairs of these Grand Rapids are very unusual.

So far as is known, the use of this combination plate has been confined to the 3-4 Taft-5-6-7-8-9-10 (Grand Rapids uses Bureaus below the 3c) and some dues, value and issues so far unknown. Here again readers can render a service by appraising the writer as to what values (a) of the double line Grand Rapids type they have, and (b) what pairs or blocks showing two types, have been seen. It is unlikely that anything further will appear in this combination type, as the new plate has been received, though not yet put into use. It is a U-14, double line of course, but in three lines, not two.

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# THE NEW STAMP DESIGNS FOR NEW ZEALAND

The following account of the competition for new stamp designs and descriptions of the winning designs is taken from a clipping in the New Zealand Herald of March 3. The clipping is kindly supplied by J. E. Guest, sales manager of the A. P. S.

"The present commonplace and unattractive postage stamps of New Zealand have had such a long currency that details of the new issue to be put into use this year are arousing widespread interest among the general public as well as among collectors. The competition for designs brought in nearly 250 entries, and a selection of these now being exhibited by Milne and Choyce, Limited, is attracting much attention.

A first impression of the pictorial and distinctively New Zealand designs displayed in abundance is that there is to be a return to something like the rare beauty and charm of the old pictorial series of more than 30 years ago. A closer examination, however, of the designs that have found acceptance leads to the feeling that the selectors have missed some excellent opportunities. Each person will no doubt have his own favorites among the rejected entries, but in several cases at least there will be general agreement that the chosen one is far from the most successful or attractive offering. It must be admitted, of course, that some of the entries which are really choice works of art as pic-

tures would be quite unsuitable as stamp designs if only on account of their wealth of delicate detail.

The lower values as being the most used may be regarded as of most importance. The chosen halfpenny is an effective drawing of a fantail surrounded by clematis, designed by James Fitzgerald, of Christchurch. Others showing a fern, a tui among berries and a leaping swordfish have been regarded as strong competitors. The selected penny design by C. H. and R. J. G. Collins, of Christchurch, shows a kiwi in search of food and has the Southern Cross, ferns and Maori designs worked in the border. Judging by the exhibits displayed there happened to be weak competition for the penny design. The penny halfpenny, by M. Matthews, of Wellington, showing a Maori girl cooking food, will probably give general satisfaction, but the twopenny, by H. W. Young, of Auckland, is an inartistic representation of a Maori hut with a huge puna fern to the left and a stockade to the right. The whole design is overloaded by the tree fern and makes a somewhat clumsy and confused picture. The stockade bears rather too close a resemblance to a graveyard, and the hut is inartistically placed in relation to it. Many would have much preferred either the head of the old Maori chief or the Mitre Peak scene, which were also entered for the twopenny stamp.

As the values ascend the accepted designs continue to have a distinctively New Zealand flavor about them, but hardly any are of a character to win special notice when placed among the mass of entries. Mount Cook, a Maori girl, Mitre Peak, a swordfish, Mount Egmont, the landing of Captain Cook are among the subjects of the successful competitors. One that will puzzle most people who wish to find a reason for its selection is the ninepenny, in which a Maori ornamental pattern forms the whole design. It is doubtful, too, if the shilling droving picture when reduced to the necessary size will convey any satisfactory effect. The tuatara on the eightpenny stamp will hardly be recognized by anybody unfamiliar with it.

The whole exhibition is of great interest and it is clear that many of the competitors have devoted a great deal of labor and a high degree of skill to the perfecting of their work. The collection makes a compendium of New Zealand scenes and symbols calculated to be a real education in patriotism. Native birds and fish, trees, lakes and mountains, Maori chiefs and guides and carvings, sports like fishing and hunting, the cities of the Dominion, maps, historic scenes, such as the signing of the treaty of Waitangi, and typical scenes of country life have all been laid under tribute to express the spirit of the land. There is room for regret that better use is not to be made of the material offered."—New Zealand Herald.

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Bernardo O'Higgins (1778-1842) and Jose Olmedo (1782-1847), the former a patriot of Chile, the latter a poet, statesman, and patriot of Ecuador, are worthy of notice. They both were living within approximately the same 65 years, and were both devoted to the service of their countries. Both also have appeared on the stamps of their respective countries: Bernardo on Scott's A35, A50 of Chile; Jose on A28a, A42, A86, A122 of Ecuador.

Bernardo O'Higgins was the son of Ambrosio O'Higgins (a Spaniard born in Ireland) and was born at Chillan in Chile. His education was received in both Lima and England. After taking over the estate of his ancestors and settling down to the quiet life of a rich planter, the 1810 revolution took him from his home to become a leader in the affairs of his country. In 1811 he was a member of the Constituent Congress. Two years later he was designated commander in chief of the army. After several controversies during which he left the country, he returned in 1817 as a lieutenant of San Martin. With

the victory of Chacabuco, Bernardo was made Supreme Director of Chile (Feb. 14, 1817). On Feb. 14, 1817, he issued the Chilean declaration of independence, the first step towards driving the Spanish out of Chile and making Chile a free republic. On April 5th at Maipo he fought and won the decisive battle of the war. Under his hands Chile was organized and entered into relations with foreign countries. A revolt soon forced the resignation of Dictator Bernardo O'Higgins in 1823. He went to Lima, there to spend the remaining years of his life.



Jose Olmedo was an Ecuadorean poet and statesman. Educated in Lima, he received the degree of doctor in jurisprudence. He practiced law in his native city, and later played an influential part in the politics of his country. Deputy to the Cortes of Spain in 1812; member of the Junta de Gobierno of Guayaquil in 1820; member of the Constitutional assembly in 1824; Minister Plenipotentiary of Peru to London; Governor of the Department of Guayaquil. In 1845 he was one of the leaders of the revolution and was a member of the provisional government. One of his best known poems is an ode addressed to Bolivar as the savior of Peru. Although his style is somewhat antiquated, nevertheless his works are quite popular in South America.

And there you have the two men in a nutshell; both patriots, both leaders, both believing in a free people, both doing their best to serve their country. Surely they have been justly remembered by the issuance of stamps bearing their portraits. Probably neither ever saw a stamp, although it is possible that they did.

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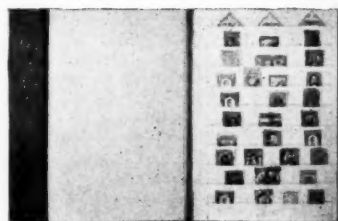
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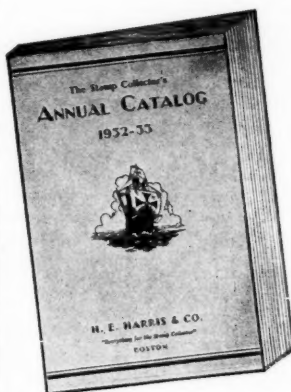
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The above call comes from one who calls himself a "Cover Nut". Probably a good name for such a fellow would be a "shell" for certainly, shells cover nuts. Anyhow the idea is a good one and one that is sound and sensible. Do not hog your information, spread it about so that all can enjoy it.

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**OLD TIMES** Following the publication in Linn's Weekly of March 26, of the article entitled Mountains and Stamps, comes a letter from Vahan Mozian of New York. Perhaps quoting this letter will best explain the reason for it.

"With great pleasure I read your article about Mountains and Stamps and I am enclosing the cover of a price list which I used when dealing under the name of the Ararat Stamp Company. I am curious to know how the cut with which you illustrate the article came into your possession. The one that I used on my list is identical with the picture in your paper and was copied from the Lynch book on Armenia. You must understand that it is pure curiosity, there is no copyright or anything else."

It will probably be news to Mr. Mozian that the cut we used in the

paper is the same one that he used in printing his price list for the Ararat Stamp Company. The Editor has been a Philatelic Publisher in years past and the halftone that was used in our March 26 issue was sent to us nearly 20 years ago for use in the columns of our publication at that time. It was part of an advertisement that Mr. Mozian used in our publication and for some reason or other the cut was not returned at that time and has been kept and preserved along with hundreds of other cuts of philatelic interest until occasion arose for the use of it again.

When choosing the copy for the March 26 issue, we thought of this cut that had come from Mr. Mozian years ago and after referring to our files produced the cut and illustrated the article with a very appropriate picture.

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Tied down by a high rental lease which has eighteen months to run before we can get into larger and more suitable quarters, we have been handicapped in such a manner that we are almost obliged to stop all efforts to grow bigger than we are today. We need larger quarters, larger machinery and more room in which to handle our business and our publication. It is for this reason that we are not making a more determined effort to grow and expand at the present time. Normal growth keeps adding to our subscription list until the number of papers printed each week is now past the eleven thousand mark.

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Sam Woods, U. S. Trade Commissioner at Prague, Czechoslovakia, reports that plans are being considered for a service between Moravska Ostrava and Opava, and for the extension of the Zagreb service to some port on the Adriatic Sea. He also states that service may be extended during the year by the Czechoslovakia State Air Lines from Bratislava to Bucharest.

### English Catalogue

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### To Newfoundland

Plans of the Pan-American Airways call for the extension of F. A. M. 12 to St. Johns, Newfoundland, as soon as mail contracts can be arranged with the department. Do not send covers now, but watch for announcements as it might come too quick for us to get notice to you.

### Canadian Exhibition

The Fourth Canadian Philatelic Exhibition will be held Oct. 4-8, 1932, at Edmonton, Alberta, and the Post office department will furnish a special cancellation for use during this event. The Alberta Provincial Philatelic Society, of Edmonton will handle covers for collectors during the exhibition.

### Did You Know?

That less than 1/25 of one per cent of all air mail had been lost or destroyed during the last fourteen years?

### Covers

On April 7th, Gettysburg, Pa., celebrated the Centennial of the College at that city. Cover sent me by Rev. R. J. Wolf bears a large cachet with picture of the building and autograph of the president.

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2c single on cover	.10	5c single on cover	.13
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Complete set five covers, as above			.80

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### CONNECTICUT ARBOR DAY CACHET

New Haven is planning to use a special cachet on Connecticut, Arbor Day, April 29th. The central design of the cachet is from an old wood cut of Connecticut's famous Charter Oak. An inscription states that the

object of the cachet is to commemorate the dedication of a planting of native oaks in honor of George Washington's bicentennial and the 60th anniversary of Arbor Day. Those who wish to have covers properly stamped may get them by sending self-addressed envelopes and the necessary amount for return postage to Frederick S. Eaton, City Forester, 80 Water St., New Haven, Conn.

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No. 435, 50c, yellow, green and blue	.55
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The attendance of about 100 collectors at the Ann Arbor Stamp Club supper meeting April 9th, was due to the officers working out a program that will eventually embrace all the clubs and societies in southern Michigan and northern Ohio. Annual meetings of this group were proposed and details will come forth later. Ten different clubs were represented.

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## INTERVIEWS WITH STAMP PORTRAITS

By Capt. A. C. Townsend

General Wayne, you are pictured on our 2c stamp issued in September, 1929, together with an Indian and a Pioneer, just as shown on your monument. Will you tell me, for Linn's, how you like the stamp, and something of the Battle of Fallen Timbers and why it is called by that odd name?

With pleasure, young man. I like the monument, and so of course I like the stamp. As to the battle, I must recall to your memory the fact that altho the British made peace with us at the close of the Revolution they still had hopes of again dominating us. To that end, they encouraged the Indians to make wars against our pioneers who were trying to settle the West, as we then called Ohio. At Recovery, Ohio, in 1791, there was a terrible massacre. Then Congress placed me in supreme command of the army.

I went to Pittsburgh, and from there enlisted all the recruits I could gather, and I must confess that a worse lot of thieves, tramps and rascals I never saw gotten together. But I made a real army of them in the course of a year, and then started a campaign which ended at Fallen Timbers in 1794.

A hurricane had passed over the spot, and it was a mass of twisted and fallen trees and dense underbrush. The Indians had established a huge camp in the faced safety of these woods, and there we gave them a defeat that stopped war for a long time and made the territory safe for settlement.

By the way, the friendly Indian and the Pioneer shown on the stamp are both here. The Indian is right over there. Perhaps you would like to interview him?

Thank you very much, but I haven't time today. (Catch me interviewing another Indian!) I might talk to the Pioneer if you will point him out. He is tame, isn't he?

I don't think you had better, my lad. He is French and his English is quite poor. During our days on earth he once came to me for some information, and said in his broken English, "You please tell me wat do ze polar bear?"

"What does a polar bear do? Nothing very much. Sits on the ice mostly."

"Sits on ze ice!"

"Yes, sits on the ice and eats fish," I replied.

"Sits on ze ice an' eat feesh! Zen I not accept."

"What do you mean?" I asked.

"Not accept what?"

He struck his forehead a resounding and bewildered slap. "I am invite at a funeral to be ze polar bear. Sacre! I not accept!"

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## LITTLE BITS OF NEWS

The Michigan Stamp Club of Detroit will hold its annual exhibition on May 7th.

Mr. Charles Brisley, one of the most active members of the Michigan Stamp Club, was a visitor at the office of Linn's Weekly on April 13th.

Phil Weiss of the Queen City Stamp Company of Cincinnati, was also a caller at the office of Linn's Weekly on April 13th. Phil says that the depression has not been a serious factor in his business. He stated that business for March this year showed an increase over the same month last year.

The Rubber City Stamp Club of Akron, Ohio, is growing so fast that they expect soon to have to put Anna Schafer on a salary for acting as Secretary. The regular monthly Auction meeting of March 31st brought out over 75 collectors. The heavy attendance is due to the excellent newspaper publicity that this club is getting from the local papers. That is a secret that other clubs are welcome to use.

The Rubber City Stamp Club meetings are held every Thursday evening in the Hotel Mayflower and local or visiting collectors will always find a welcome at these meetings.

Stamp collectors in DuPage County, Illinois, are appraised of the fact that a stamp club has been organized in their vicinity. Meetings are to be held in the Club Rooms of the Ballou Apartments at Lombard, Ill. Next meeting is May 6th. Those interested should get in touch with the secretary, Mr. A. L. Ellis, 223 S. Martha Street, Lombard, Ill.

Mr. H. Davis of Portland, Oregon, reports a variety in the 2c Washington Bicentennial. Mr. Davis states that he has obtained 16 identical strips showing the following described flaw and that being the case, the variety must be constant.

The flaw referred to is in the top row of plate 27702, the third stamp from the right, and shows as a slight break in the letter E of States. Mr. Davis does not state which pane from the plate shows the flaw, neither does he state the position of the plate number.

The proposed increase in Parcel Post Rates to become effective next October might make necessary something in new stamps.

A stamp club has been formed at Little Rock, Ark. Meetings are held in the Y. M. C. A. and local collectors are invited to get in touch with the secretary, Mr. Melvin Spear.

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The success that attended their efforts is such that it is suggested that other Clubs copy their plan. In this manner, the expense of the exhibition can doubtless be covered and there is also a possible profit for your club treasury. If these annual stamp shows can be held every year in all the larger cities, much good will be accomplished for philately and if they can be held without being a burden to the local club, then there is no legitimate reason why they should not be held.

From the letter from the Long Beach Club the following statements are of interest and will give other clubs an idea of what can be done and how to do it.

"We sold \$131.00 worth of stamps of our Postoffice Department at face value. These we obtained on credit from our local postoffice. We sold stamps from our treasury (a few obtained from the Philatelic Agency) at face plus; also envelopes and pictures, etc., obtained from Linprint, to the extent of \$95.71, showing us a profit of \$29.34. We learned that there is an opportunity to sell stamps of past issues at a profit. This, together with the rental on our exhibition frames will amply pay all expenses of the exhibition and leave a profit for our club treasury."

Mr. M. E. Tallant, vice president of the club, and the gentleman who sends the above information states that he will be glad to hear from other clubs who contemplate an exhibition and will gladly give them all information at his disposal. Address him 2227 Cedar Ave., Long Beach, Calif.

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